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By Charles A. Starks.

Keeping Up the Standard.

When you find business slack, don't try to account for it by reasoning that it is "slack everywhere" and with everybody. This is a dangerous state of mind to fall into. The idea is to keep a knocking, keep a knocking away. Try harder than ever to keep up the standard of your service. Even make decided improvements if possible, and remember that you do not always have to have more money to do this; but that it is largely a matter of putting more brains and more enterprise in your business. This will invariably offset what we are too easily inclined to believe is "general depression of trade." Mr. Business Person, are you trying hard to keep your standard of service? Are you planning improvements in spite of every discouraging feature or phase? If not, you SHOULD!

## Fair Weather Birds.

Now let us call this fact to you. That we are largely a fairweather crew; That in the drizzly rain or snow We just hunk and haw and will never go. But when the sun doth warmly shine Oh Boy! we go then, AND OUR GAIT IS FINE!

In any part an appreciation of the real is paramount.

It is facts that are continually new to us, only fiction has to labor to be interesting.

## SLANG.

Slang words and phrases are usually more expressive than the words they supplant. For instance: "I can't get well." This is equivalent to the statement, "I CAN'T SUCCEED WITH THE PROPOSITION." Now where do slang and catch phrases come from? Many of them come from the bubbling wit of Negroes. The first we heard of the above was used by Edward Hayden, a local character of skating rink fame. Ed was heard to remark that "he could not get well." When one thoughtfully considers that life is made up of daily successes and failures, one can see readily that it is the applicability of the phrase that makes it popular as well as expressive. This phrase also has a reverse side. It is that, "you can get well." So with that problem of yours, the one that has been worrying you so long, why not try to solve it again? Who knows, you may be able, "To get well."

Then there is another expressive phrase which uses the negative to bring out the affirmative. This is usually demonstrated in an answer. Note this: "Did you catch your train the other day?" "I didn't miss catching it." Is the ready reply. The answer here is made highly positive by using a negative premise (didn't) along with the very opposite of catch, which is miss. So the strong conclusion is reached that the fellow caught the train, since he did not fail to catch it.

## WHAT IS A REPRISAL?

I have watched the use of this word for sometime. The first notice I gave it was during the world war when I read how the Allies threatened Germany with reprisals for certain alleged cruel practices she had perpetrated against their soldiers. So today we read of Reprisals in the young war that the Irish are making upon England. We looked this word up in Webster's International and found that it means—"Any act of retaliation public or private." That is to say that if you hit me in the nose and I catch you on your nasal organ, I have succeeded in fairly meeting the exactitude and upholding the traditions of the REPRISAL.

Reprisals have been handed out from the beginning of the world, the history of nations shows this in spite of the divine injunction to turn the other cheek. Even Negroes are beginning to learn the meaning of reprisal.

They who have been the constant victims of lynchings and burnings are being forced to see what a powerful weapon the reprisal is when publicly and privately applied.

We have already had instances of these reprisals in Washington and Chicago. The cause for these reprisals was the general mistreatment of Negroes and the constant BOMBING of their homes. The "ruling class" could have prevented the reprisals on the part of Negroes by frowning on and punishing the pulpits who committed the heinous acts that provoked the reprisals, but they would not, they let the provocative acts on the part of the whites go unrestrained and unmolested, the result was another year of war of reprisals.

But out of this conflict came a wonderful discovery. It was a new determination of the Negro, a sort of a new consciousness, an idea to stand back and face the foe and not only to strike back, but plan little excursions on their own hook by way of diversion. It is inconceivable that one people, however weak they may be, will fall always to imitate the educated devil of a stronger people who operate all manner of ill against them. The curriculum of the SCHOOL OF HATE, they are eventually bound to learn each course of that school.

## LEARNING ECONOMICS.

We left off our subject by remarking that we want luxuries but we want them in a sensible way. I do not know what the great Economists say on the subject of luxuries, but it is my opinion that luxuries properly grown out of somebody's productive power, produced wealth if you like it, just as luxury in the growth and development of plant life exists as the evident genius and soul of Nature. Note the productive plan of Nature. It is sublime in its immensity, prodigal in its production of wealth and luxury. I mean to say that there is nothing stingy about the work of nature, but it rather appears to be super-generous and fruitful, its style seems to be after the order of plenty. These are reasons why I do not accept the qualities that most preachers (black and white) impute unto the Devil. They have made God a veritable beggar! Instead of appreciating Him as the inspiration of a nature itself and as the Master Mind of original directivity, advancing the factor of boundless creation with its wonders and glories, they rather teach the people to despise this heavenly economy that sustains the whole divine plan of worlds and worlds including the masterful Solar System. In a more ecclesiastical sense they have snatched the appreciative spirit even of their congregation who would sing: "My Father is rich in houses and lands, and instituted in its stead a cunningly picked exhortation which brings in the money: "Blessed is the cheerful giver!"

The preacher, however, believes in luxuries, at least for one particular person. He does not particularly care for the congregation having luxuries, though, these might corrupt them. This indifference to luxury for the congregation is signally noted in our quarter.

Luxury, it may not be out of order here for us to give a definition of it in its most modern sense, and especially as we wish to apply it here. We have already learned that it is the economic that first imposed itself upon men, that it was the stern necessities which urged him on to action. We have further learned just what these necessities are. We still further learned that the political discovered in men something that we have hitherto been content to call a restless spirit, but which we now call mind. This, embodying the sublimely real, demands more than economic solution for men. Man can not live off of bread alone. Neither can he develop fully off of the mere necessities of existence, even in the most material sense. Having assuaged the primal wants he must keep moving. He can not stand still, physical welfare does not satisfy the best

in man. So we say that he can not stand still, because the moving cycle of laws will sweep him on in spite of himself. Individually he may deteriorate, but nature itself, so to speak, would raise up stones to supplant him elsewhere to advance the cause of the idea of progress. The tendency thus of creation is to go on, unfold, and there is no end. Luxury then, is not mere overgrowth as your dictionary will indicate, but it is your education of the higher nature that is within you. Here let us acknowledge the superperness of the mental as representing what is over that of the physical. Hence when you have secured the necessities of life, all added unto these are luxuries that can further develop you toward a higher satisfaction of existence. It is luxuries that help men to discover that they are more than economic units of mere eating and sleeping propensities.

So in our day when we get the food, the clothes and shelter we begin naturally to look for something else. Following the laws of comfort and health we put a wooden floor on the dirt floor, and pushing the dirt further we put a carpet on the wooden floor, and still on this carpet may still be placed the truly luxurious rug. So far these luxuries are only calculated for the physical ease, but remember that these luxuries here in any degree presupposes that industry and the spirit of production have been at work by somebody. In plain words, somebody must work for luxuries that anybody enjoys.

(To Be Continued.)

## Y. W. C. A. NEWS NOTES.

The Seventh Grade Girls Reserves of the Attucks School planned and carried out very successfully the following Thanksgiving program which they gave at the Vesper services, Sunday at 4 p. m.

Scripture Reading . . . Gladys Smith  
"Praise to the God of Harvest" . . . Chorus  
Recitation, "Thanksgiving Day" . . . Mildred Kins  
"God's Gift in Nature" . . . Chorus  
Recitation, "Why the Pilgrim Fathers Made Thanksgiving Day" . . . Corinne Mitchell  
"Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" . . . Chorus  
Dialogue, "After Thanksgiving" . . . Verna Bailey, Frankie Monroe  
Invocation, "God Be With You" Chorus  
After the program, the girls assisted in serving hot chocolate and wafers. The Freshman Girls Reserves had their party Friday evening. Each corps represented a vegetable. Each girl was permitted to invite a girl or a boy. The recreation room was decorated in Thanksgiving colors.

The Seventh Grade Wendell Phillips Girls held their party, Saturday. Forty were present and a lively evening was spent. The room was decorated in their club colors, old rose and black.

The Booker Washington and the Sixth Grade Girls of the Douglas school held initiation meetings and invited the teachers and principal.

The Seventh Grade of the Garrison held a service meeting and the Sixth Grade Wendell Phillips had an "Honorary" meeting.

Girl Reserve Membership Money

Previously reported . . . \$46.23  
Receipts for November . . . 2.07

Total . . . \$48.30  
Camp Fund, November . . . .60  
Girl Reserve Enrollment for year, 158; of this number 63 are full paid and 74 are part paid.

The gym class for the year began Thursday night, 8 p. m. If you are too fat, too thin, or need exercise, enroll at once.

A new class of Home Nursing begins this week. It is not too late to enroll.

Miss Jackson, Employment Secretary, has returned from New Jersey where she spent three weeks in the Training School.

Mrs. J. M. Carr and Mrs. E. J. Parker gave one dozen knives and forks, and two dozen spoons and cooking forks.

The Civic League gave a woolen blanket. The Civic Club conducted a very unique shower of dishes. All gifts are needed and used.

## Do You Need Money?

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## GRAND WORTHY MATRON, O. E. S.

Pays An Official Visit to the Chapters of Minnesota.

Mrs. Lottie J. Gamble, of Kansas City, Mo., Grand Worthy Matron, O. E. S., Missouri Jurisdiction, is the guest of Mrs. George Duckett, 687 St. Anthony, Grand Dist. Deputy of Missouri Jurisdiction. The Grand Matron was guest of honor of Princess Ozell Chapter 5, at Union Hall last Tuesday, at which time all O. E. S. members of every Jurisdiction in the Twin Cities were invited. Among the distinguished guests seated on the platform were: Mrs. Kittle Terrell Past Grand Matron, O. E. S., of Illinois; Past Grand Masters, F. A. M., J. H. Sherwood and G. L. Hoage, Asst. Grand Conductress, Mrs. Ella Glass, Illinois Jurisdiction, including representatives from Iowa, Washington and California.

Mrs. Gamble was the recipient of many courtesies. On Wednesday, breakfast with Mrs. McFarland, Matron of Princess Ozell Chapter; luncheon with Mrs. John Owens, a beautiful affair with covers laid for eight, other O. E. S. ladies to share the honor. A trip to Crispus Attucks Home in Mrs. Charles Quigley's big blue car. The window of a "perfect day" was an excellent 6 o'clock dinner served by Mrs. A. J. Coble, as she only can.

Mrs. Gamble left Thursday morning for an official visit to Florence Williams Chapter 22 at Duluth. This chapter, set up some 24 years ago by Mrs. Florence Williams, then Grand Matron, was named for her, now Mrs. George Duckett, the hostess for Mrs. Gamble.—St. Paul, (Minn.) Appeal.

## THE RELIABLE MEN'S CLUB ENTERTAINS.

The Reliable Men's Club held its annual social Friday evening, November 26, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Francis, 1412 Vine street. The President, Robert Armstrong, was Master of Ceremonies and welcomed the guests. Dr. J. B. St. Felix Isaacs who delivered a very instructive address was introduced by John R. Hawthorn, R. P. Jackson responding. James W. Spaulding and Robert Armstrong were the soloists of the evening. Mr. Leonard T. Sales of Lawrence, Kansas, and Mrs. Armstrong presiding at the piano. The special guests were Dr. J. B. St. Felix Isaacs and Mr. Leonard T. Sales. Other present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Pigeon, Mrs. F. L. Ward, Mrs. Sarah Smith, Mrs. Lulu Young, Mrs. Mary Payne, Mrs. Williams of Topeka, Kas., Mr. C. D. Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hickum, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Christian, Mr. James W. Spaulding, Mr. Elmer Dotson, Mr. R. P. Jackson, Mr. John R. Hawthorn, Mr. J. W. Woodland, Mr. Bert Cain, Mr. A. Bledsoe. The house was beautifully decorated with smilax, daisies and chrysanthemums. After having been served a delicious luncheon prepared by Mrs. Francis, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Smith. All departed declaring Mr. and Mrs. Francis a charming host and hostess.

## ROYAL CIRCLE MAKES CLASS OF 236.

Ida Vaughn Circle No. 1640 Gives Candidate a Floral Design.

Tuesday night, November 30th, the Supreme Royal Circle of Friends of the World, a Fraternal insurance organization which has made rapid progress in Kansas City, made a class of 236 candidates at the New Dreamland Hall. The class was made in the Royal Degree by the Supreme Supervisor of the Missouri and Kansas Jurisdictions, Mr. A. L. Richmond. After the class was made several friends who are members of the Royal Circle in other states were introduced, and gave the Candidates food for thought, telling them of the benefits derived from being a member of the Royal Circle, telling them how promptly all claims were paid, without a moment's delay. Friend Moore of Texas, Friend Patterson of Arkansas, Friend Baker of Tennessee and several of the Local President's were introduced. An elaborate luncheon was then served to all members and candidates.

The Candidates were then given an opportunity to express themselves and all who spoke, gave the same expression; that the Royal Circle was the greatest Fraternal Order they had ever joined, and that they were glad to have had the opportunity to become a member.

In the remarks of the Supreme Supervisor he told the class that all of our Fraternal Orders were good,

and doing a great work for Our Race, and that he was a member of all of them, being affiliated with eleven, but the difference between the other Orders and the Royal Circle was that the Royal Circle gave a member the benefits while they were living as well as care for them in death.

The Royal Circle pays to its members \$7.00 per week for sickness or accident, pays \$150.00 at death, and places a monument at the grave of each deceased member worth \$100.00. After being a member ninety days your policy can be increased to \$1000. The joining fee during the open campaign now running is \$3.50. The total cost to stay in the order is \$1.25 per month and you do not have any taxes to pay.

Candidate Given a Floral Design.—Mrs. Henrietta Arnold of 1703 Lydia street, who died on last Friday, was to have been made a member of the Royal Circle Tuesday night. She died suddenly not having been sick at all. The Supreme Supervisor sympathizes with the bereaved family, and is only sorry that Mrs. Arnold did not live to become a member as the Royal Circle would gladly have paid the claim, as Mrs. Arnold would have been entitled to half benefits, which would have been \$75.00 and a monument placed at her grave. The policy of the Royal Circle is in full benefits after 90 days.

Mrs. Vaughn who is President of the Circle to which Mrs. Arnold would have been a member, called her loyal Friends of the Circle together, and with the Supreme Supervisor gave a beautiful floral design, floating the colors and the name of the Royal Circle upon it.

For information regarding the Royal Circle call Mr. A. L. Richmond, Bell Grand 2471 or 2048, or call at the office, 1834 Paseo.

## Special to The Sun.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 30.—In the midst of the profusion of beautiful flowers, folk-lore music and fitting decorations, the new annex to Poro College was joined to the mother plants this week. The dedicatory exercises occupied the final four days of Thanksgiving week and were attended and participated in by the flower of racial endeavor and accomplishment from all over the country. The event brought so many of the outstanding members of the race to St. Louis that Prof. Aaron E. Malone, President, and Mrs. Annie M. Malone, Founder of Poro College, anticipated it as a signal for the arrangement of various conferences looking up to the welfare and advancement of Colored people.

## Five Acres Floor Space.

Admiring visitors inspected the different departments of the institution and were greatly impressed by the magnitude of the undertaking, the almost flawless system of administration and the abiding evidences of its success. It is truly a unique organization, with its compact combination of industrial, commercial, educational, philanthropic and religious features, and probably has no counter part in all the world.

With the added 20,000 square feet in the newly completed annex, floor space in the Poro establishment aggregates five acres, every inch of which is devoted to teaching some useful lessons to the youth of the race. The spectacle of 230 young women and young men engaged in the manufacture, shipping and clerical addenda of Poro products; the array of hundreds of girls uniformly intent upon acquiring the culture to fit them for useful occupation; the gentle Christian atmosphere that starts with the chapel assembly in the morning and pervades the discipline of the entire day, suggesting an iron hand in a velvet glove; the elegant simplicity of mural decorations, often by Colored artists; the curriculum that provides for culture by contact and example; the essence of applied business science reduced to its lowest terms gives Poro College first rank among useful and successful racial undertakings and a singular place for Mr. and Mrs. Malone among the leaders in constructive efforts.

## COST \$500,000.

Rapid evolution of the Poro enterprise necessitated the erection less than two years ago, of a building that cost \$500,000. As soon as the plant was installed it was discovered that even with the most careful economy of space the new building did not meet the demands of the business, and one of the first plans set to work in its new home was to project additional floor acreage. This was accomplished two weeks ago when the annex was completed at a cost of \$150,000, bringing the building investment

of Poro College during the last two years up to \$650,000, absolute book-keeper's figures. The annex adjoins the mother plant and, like the first, is built of the finest and most secure of fire-proof materials and is connected with sundry tunnels and bridges, the arteries of the economic system. Every improvement in equipment that is available has been installed; mechanical carriers that bring the Poro products from the laboratories to the shipping tables; labor-saving office appliances; cleanly young women diligently operating in scrupulously clean factories, flooded with light from hundreds of windows—that is the new home of Poro College.

## Neighborhood Center.

And this splendid monument to racial achievement is in the very heart of a Colored neighborhood, racing one of the leading churches and within a stone's throw of two of the principal school buildings.

"But why," we asked Mr. and Mrs. Malone, "did you erect this magnificent racial enterprise down in the center of the business district? Wouldn't it be a revelation to the white people to see daily what you are doing?"

"We have the answer," smiled little Mrs. Annie Malone. "You know we are not working among the white people. We are striving for our own. Poro College is an industrial effort of the Colored people, by the Colored people, for the Colored people, and the education of example. Undismayed by the century or more of handicap that we labor under, we mean to catch and then keep up. You cannot help the Jews by dwelling among the Gentiles."

We did not ask any more questions on that score, but began to look around. We found that the Colored people in the neighborhood of Pendleton and St. Ferdinand avenues, taking their cue from the Poro center, have begun to build beautiful houses for themselves; that a race consciousness is taking the ascendancy; there were closely barred lawns in front of their houses, immaculate curtains in the windows and sanitary back yards bringing up the rear of even the humblest homes. All with a healthy growth from an inspired planting of racial small business enterprises. Then we realized the Poro purpose.

## Philanthropic Scope.

Are the Malone activities confined to the fireproof walls of Poro College? We should say not—positively not! To those who cannot help themselves and to those who are endeavoring to help themselves, the Malones have always extended a ready and a willing hand. Paraphrasing a it of popular vernacular, their lives are one good thing after another.

Here follows a sample calendar: Interesting themselves in the election of Senator Harding, Mr. Malone accepted a place upon the Executive Committee of the Republican Party in Missouri, and accepted by his wife, aided in a material way from his office down-town in making the state hand over its electoral vote to the man from Marion. The tumult and the shouting of the victory had scarcely subsided before the Malone staff was transferred to Quincy, Ill., where they raised \$10,000 for a Colored social center, themselves contributing nearly \$4,000 to the amount. Right back to St. Louis, where the need of a Colored orphan's home was a crying one, they pulled off their coats and rolled up their sleeves to secure \$100,000 for this worthy purpose. And would you believe it? In one week, ending November 22, they raised \$67,000 for the orphanage, \$10,000 of which they themselves contributed in cash. And then, without hardly taking a breath, they advanced into the dedication of the new building, entertaining at their personal expense hundreds of race men and women. Not a lex bone in the bodies of the Malones.

The new annex is equipped with a laundry with all of the latest improved machinery, a bakery that has a capacity not only for the demands of the institution, but its a boon to the neighborhood; a refrigerating plant and other useful and advanced features.

## Large Personnel of Visitors.

Among those who attended the ceremonies from various parts of the country were: Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Allen and Dr. Woodland, Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Ida M. Beck, Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. Joseph D. Bibb, Editor of "The Whip," Chicago; Miss Susie A. Brent, Quincy, Ill.; Dr. Joseph A. Booker, Little Rock, Ark.; Mr. Halle Q. Brown and wife, Chicago; I. Willis Cole, Louisville, Ky.; B. J. Davis, Attilins Regiment, Springfield; B. W.

Pitts, Chicago; Ormond A. Forte, Cleveland, Ohio; George H. Harris, alderman, New York City; M. M. Hall, Quincy, Ill.; Miss Emma Harper, Peoria, Ill.; Mrs. Elmore Hewett, Boston, Mass.; W. H. Jackson and wife, Indianapolis, Ind.; Thomas Kennedy, Kansas City, Kan.; George L. Knox, Indianapolis, Ind.; Carey B. Lewis and wife, Chicago, Ill.; Prof. R. L. Logan, Kansas City, Mo.; W. H. Moody and wife, Peoria, Ill.; Fred R. Moore, editor of New York Age, New York; L. G. Murray, Boston Chronicle, Boston, Mass.; John H. Murphy, editor Afro-American, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. and Mrs. Patten, Chicago, Ill.; Miss Ianta, Ga.; Col. Otis B. Duncan, commanding officer of the famous Eighth Payne, Kansas City, Mo.; W. L. Porter, Editor of The News, Knoxville, Tenn.; M. J. Sleet, Editor of New Age, Hopkinsville, Ky.; Harry C. Smith, Editor of The Gazette, Cleveland, Ohio; Wm. H. Steward, Editor of The American Baptist, Louisville, Ky.; Charles Steward, newspaper correspondent, Chicago; George P. Stewart, Editor of The Recorder, Indianapolis, Ind.; Miss Florence C. Talbert, Detroit, Mich.; Julius F. Taylor, Editor of Broad Ax, Chicago; William Warley, Editor of The News, Louisville, Ky.; J. W. Williams, Columbus, Ohio; J. Finley Wilson, Editor of The Eagle, Washington D. C.

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